



Apply Now for the Sallie Milam Public Health Data Scholarship – PHLC 2023

The Network for Public Health Law is currently inviting eligible candidates to apply for a full scholarship to the Network's Public Health Law Conference (PHLC) 2023, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 24-26, 2023. The Sallie Milam Public Health Data Scholarship will include registration for the pre-conference data session, "Getting to 'Yes' for Public Health: Tribal Organization Use of Health Data Held by State and Local Health Departments," in addition to registration for the full conference.

About Sallie Milam

In memory of the late Sallie Milam, the Network for Public Health Law has established the Sallie Milam Public Health Data Scholarship. As a valued member of the Network for Public Health Law team, Sallie promoted the use of law to improve public health and advance health equity. She provided national leadership on public health data sharing to build healthier communities, and mentored new attorneys and students interested in a data privacy career.

About the Scholarship

The goals of the scholarship are to:

- further Sallie Milam's work in enhancing better access to public health data;
- cultivate skills in new and established attorneys to promote better collection, use and dissemination of public health data;
- promote use of law to improve public health and advance health equity, particularly through public health data;
- support professionals working in the area of public health data; and
- provide opportunities to public health professionals with a demonstrated interest in public health data, but who lack alternative sources of funding, to attend Network for Public Health Law events.

Scholarship awardees will typically be from one of the following two categories:

1. Public health privacy officers, or public health professionals working in a similar role.
2. Public health professionals who work to promote better access to public health data by Tribal public health entities.

Two types of Sallie Milam scholarships may be awarded, as follows:

1. Full scholarship awarded to support attendance at the Network's Public Health Law Conference; and/or
2. Full scholarship awarded to support attendance at any Network for Public Health Law data-specific summit or meeting.

Full scholarships will cover registration for the conference and pre-conference workshops, travel, and lodging. Ground transportation and per diem will not be covered by the scholarship.



Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants should be a public health professional in a state, Tribal, local, or territorial public health department, Tribal Epidemiology Center (TEC), professional association, not-for-profit entity, community-based organization, or similar setting.
- Applicants must commit to attending the Network for Public Health Law event for which they are seeking funding.
- Privacy officers at state or local health departments who apply for the scholarship must be a member of a Network for Public Health Law privacy officer peer group. To join a privacy officer peer group, contact Stephen Murphy, Deputy Director, Mid States Region at smurphy@networkforphl.org.

Scholarship Award Process

- PHLC 2023 Scholarship application period: May 24, 2023-June 30, 2023
- PHLC 2023 Scholarship award notification: July 15, 2023

How to Apply

Those wishing to apply for the Sallie Milam Scholarship to attend the Public Health Law Conference 2023 must submit a short [online application](#) (click the link to access the application). Applicants will be asked for relevant information, including a 200-word statement of how award of the scholarship to the applicant would further the scholarship's goals.

For more information, prospective applicants may reach out to Stephen Murphy, Deputy Director, Network for Public Health Law, Mid States Region, at smurphy@networkforphl.org.

About the Public Health Law Conference 2023

The 2023 Public Health Law Conference will bring together public health officials, administrators, and practitioners; lawyers; researchers; and leaders of community-based organizations. More than 40 sessions will address core issues related to:

- Addressing structural inequities to achieve health equity.
- Access to reproductive health care.
- The use of public health data to improve community health.
- The role of law in facilitating system change.
- Emerging issues.

For more information, and to register for the conference, visit the [Public Health Law Conference 2023 Web site](#).

About the Network

Law and policy are critical components of effective public health practice. Whether you are responding to a novel infectious disease or an environmental threat, navigating a public health emergency, or implementing routine enforcement measures, understanding how to harness and strategically apply the power of law and policy is integral to improving the community's health outcomes and promoting health equity.

The Network for Public Health Law provides non-partisan legal technical assistance and resources. We collaborate with a broad set of partners across sectors to expand and enhance the use of practical legal and policy solutions to protect and promote the public's health.